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For: Centrifuge and Container System for	}	
Treatment of Blood and Blood	}	
Components	}	
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Sir,

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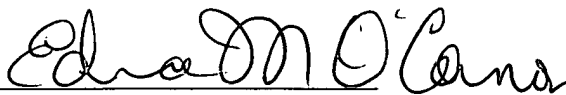
Amendment to the Specification begins on this page 1.

Please insert the following paragraph above line 5 of Specification page 1:

This application claims the benefit of the United States Patent Application No. 10/054,484 filed 22 January 2002 which has been allowed, claiming priority from the United States Patent Application No. 09/355,930 filed 12 August 1999 which is Patent No. 6,348,031, claiming priority from International PCT Application No. PCT/SE98/00246 filed 12 February 1998, claiming priority from Swedish Patent Application No. 9700495-6 filed 12 February 1997.

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